

Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Marie Stahl, and we are richer because Marie lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Marie was born May 29, 1924; and,

Whereas, Marie has been active in supporting and cheering on her children and grandchildren in their many and varied sporting activities; and,

Whereas, Marie is a distinguished veteran having proudly served her state and country in the United States Coast Guard; and she has continued that dedication as a member of the VFW Auxiliary; and,

Whereas, Marie has demonstrated the greatest of courage and fight, and has served as an inspiration to all who know her during her 6-year battle with cancer; and,

Whereas, Marie's family votes her wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother of the year; and,

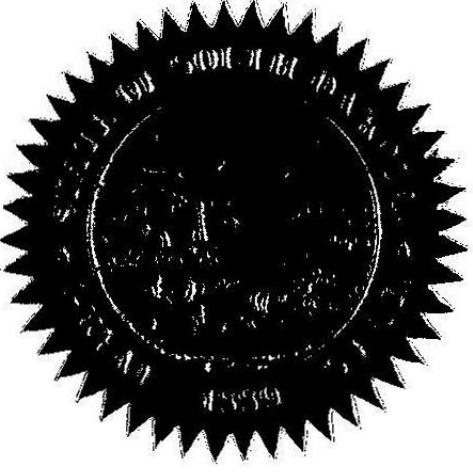
Whereas, Marie will observe her 80th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 29, 2004, as

MARIE STAHL DAY

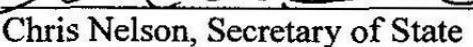
in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and her relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.




M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State